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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1182

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E. O. 11652: N/ A

TAGS: ETRD, EAID, SCUL, MR

SUBJECT: GIRM REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE FROM US DEPT INTERIOR:
WILLIAM FEATHERSTONE

REF: STATE 60100

ACTION REQUESTED: CU CONSIDER USING FY 73 FALL- OUT
FUNDS FOR FEATHERSTONE INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL.

1. KANE- SUTTON CORRESPONDENCE (REFTEL) HAS UNFORTUNATELY
FALLEN BETWEEN STOOLS IN NOUAKCHOTT SINCE KANE HAS BEEN
TRANSFERRED WITHIN MINISTRY RURAL DEVT AND NO LONGER
CHEF DU SERVICE DE LA PROTECTION DE LA NATURE. THIS
EMERGED AT MEETING MAY 14 WITH SECGEN RURAL DEVELOPMENT
WHO DISPLAYED LETTER DATED APRIL 5 FROM GIRM AMBASSADOR
WASHINGTON REPORTING THAT DR. SUTTON READY TO COME TO
MAURITANIA IF INVITED.

2. CLEARED UP THAT MISUNDERSTANDING WITH SECGEN WHO
SAID THAT HIS MINISTRY WOULD BE DELIGHTED SEE FEATHERSTONE
COME VICE SUTTON AND HOPED THIS COULD BE ARRANGED.
ADDED HE HAS AUTHORITY COMMIT FUNDS FOR INTERNATIONAL
VISITORS TO COVER ALL EXPENSES ONCE IN COUNTRY,
(TRJNSPORT, FOOD LODGING). HOWEVER, COUNCIL OF
MINISTERS' APPROVAL NEEDED PP ORDER PURCHASE
INTERNATIONAL AIR TRANSPORT. ASKED IF USG COULD FINANCE
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THIS EXPENSE. REPLIED THIS UNCERTAIN SINCE
DEPT INTERIOR HAD NO BUDGET FOR THIS TYPE TRAVEL, BUT
PROMISED ENQUIRE.

3. PROVIDED FY-73 FALL- OUT FUNDS REMAIN AVAILABLE,
RECOMMEND CU FUND FEATHERSTONE TRAVEL FOR THIS
INITIAL VISIT.
MURPHY

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